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A magnetic recording medium, which contains a chromium-containing primer layer and a magnetic layer at least on one surface of a nonmagnetic support member, the chromium-containing primer layer contains chromium and at least one type of element selected from a group of cobalt, beryllium, osmium, rhenium, titanium, zinc, tantalum, aluminum, molybdenum, tungsten, vanadium, iron, antimony, iridium, ruthenium, rhodium, platinum, palladium, silicon, and zirconium, and the magnetic layer contains a ferromagnetic metal alloy containing at least cobalt, platinum and chromium, and a nonmagnetic material.